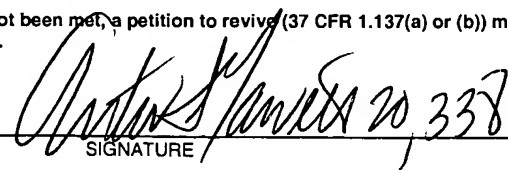


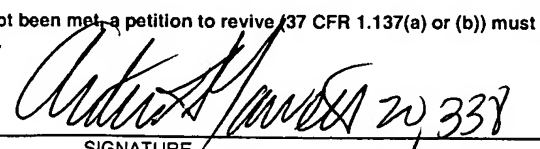
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- Preliminary Amendments filed on 04/03/2006
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
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Total additional fees required for this application is \$-1680 for a Large Entity:

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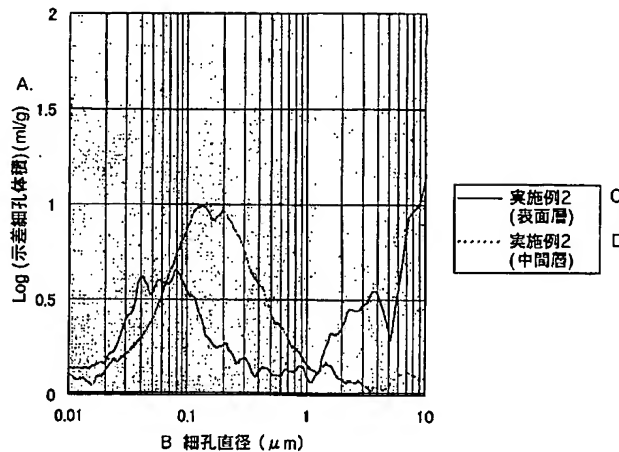
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(54) 発明の名称: ポリオレフィン微多孔膜



A...Log (DIFFERENTIAL PORE VOLUME) (ml/g)
B...PORE DIAMETER (μm)
C...EXAMPLE 2 (SURFACE LAYER)
D...EXAMPLE 2 (INTERLAYER)

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